

**Town of Mocksville
Regular Board Meeting
October 3, 2017**

The Town of Mocksville Board of Commissioners met for the Regular Board Meeting on Tuesday, October 3, 2017 at 6:00 p.m. in the Mocksville Town Hall.

Present:	Mayor, Will Marklin	Absent:	None
Commissioners Present:	Johnny Frye Lash Sanford Amy Vaughan-Jones Brent Ward Rob Taylor		

Others Present:

Marcus Abernethy, Town Manager
Beth Thompson, Deputy Clerk
Al Benschhoff, Town Attorney
Todd Penley, Police Chief
Tami Langdon, Community Development Coordinator
Rustin Harpe, Parks Director
Frank Carter, Fire Chief
Mike West, Public Works Director

Mayor Marklin called the meeting to order welcoming everyone in attendance.

The Town of Mocksville Board paused for a moment of silence.
Mayor, Marklin led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Approval of Agenda

A motion was made by Commissioner, Lash Sanford to approve the agenda. The motion was seconded by Commissioner, Johnny Frye and approved by a unanimous vote. 5-0

Approval of Minutes

A motion was made by Commissioner, Johnny Frye to approve the minutes of the September 5, 2017 Regular Board Meeting and September 5, 2017 Executive Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner, Rob Taylor and approved by a unanimous vote. 5-0

PUBLIC COMMENT

No one spoke.

Mayor, Marklin introduced the Metcalf Brothers with the Boy Scout Troop 575. They are working on their merit badge.

Chief Penley introduced Max, Canine Dog and he is two years old. Greg Gobble who will become a part-time trainer for the town donated Max. Officer Brian Hill will be the designated Canine Officer. Max should be ready in December. Max has been trained with marijuana, meth and cocaine. He has also been introduced to opium. The kennel for the car has been ordered and should be here a week to ten days.

Zoning Text Amendment -Table of Uses

This text amendment comes as a recommendation from the Planning Board which resolves an issue originally brought up by citizens and Town Board members. It establishes electronic gaming facilities as being listed into the table of permitted uses and regulates their use to only be within the highway commercial zoning district.

Public Hearing – Table of Uses

Mayor, Will Marklin opened and closed the public hearing with no one speaking in favor or against.

A motion was made by Commissioner, Lash Sanford to approve the zoning text amendment table of uses. The motion was seconded by Commissioner, Amy Vaughan-Jones and approved by a unanimous vote. 5-0

Town Road Map Amendment – Avgol Drive

Citizens have complained about truck traffic turning onto Duke Street from Hardisan Street allegedly heading to Avgol Drive. We have communicated with Avgol and they requested that Avgol Drive from Duke Street to the western side of the facility which is a private drive be removed from the town map.

Public Hearing – Avgol Drive

Mayor, Will Marklin opened and closed the public hearing with no one speaking in favor or against.

A motion was made by Commissioner, Rob Taylor to approve the removal of Avgol Drive (private) from official town road map. The motion was seconded by Commissioner, Johnny Frye and approved by a unanimous vote. 5-0

Closeout Report CDBG for Gildan Yarns

David Hartigan from Hartigan Management was at the meeting to present the documents that are completed and ready to be closed out from the Gildan ED project. This was a grant project through the State that provided grant funds administered through the town that created over 400 jobs. The Town Board needs to approve to close out the project.

Public Hearing

Mayor, Will Marklin opened and closed the public hearing with no one speaking in favor or against.

A motion was made by Commissioner, Lash Sanford to approve to close the completed Gildan ED project. The motion was seconded by Commissioner, Johnny Frye and approved by a unanimous vote. 5-0

United Way of Davie County Month (October)_Proclamation

Mayor, Will Marklin proclaimed October as Davie County United Way Month. Gloria Wommack with United Way attended and expressed her appreciation.

Adopt Amended Animal Ordinance

The Davie County animal control ordinances do not apply within the Mocksville Town limits. The Sherriff asks the Town to adopt a uniform ordinance to make the animal control function efficient and uniform throughout the County.

A motion was made by Commissioner, Rob Taylor to adopt the amended Animal Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Commissioner, Johnny Frye and approved by a unanimous vote. 5-0

Grant Project Ordinance – Quality Drive

The project authorized is the Rural Infrastructure Authority Grant approved and released on August 31, 2017, (\$400,000) for the additional improvements to Quality Drive. The improvements will consist of 900 feet of 24-foot-wide roadway, 900 feet of water lines and related equipment, and storm drainage. The project also includes one spec building and three pre-graded building sites.

A motion was made by Commissioner, Rob Taylor to approve Quality Drive Grant Project Ordinance. The motion was seconded by Commissioner, Johnny Frye and approved by a unanimous vote. 5-0

Resolution Supporting a County and Municipal Bicycle & Pedestrian Planning Grant Initiative

This is a resolution of support requested by Davie County. Davie County is applying for a grant with the help of the PTRCOG to create a municipal and county pedestrian planning grant. The resolution is needed for the grant purposes. The pedestrian plan would help create uniform planning documents for Davie County and all the municipalities to plan future pedestrian pathways, sidewalks, and greenways. This is a \$60,000 grant and there is a 20% match and the County is asking the towns to contribute to that match. The town's match, if awarded would be \$2,331.00

A motion was made by Commissioner, Johnny Frye to approve the Resolution supporting the County and Municipal Bicycle & Pedestrian Planning Grant Initiative. The motion was seconded by Commissioner, Lash Sanford and approved by a unanimous vote. 5-0

Monthly and Departmental Reports

Manager's Report

Marcus Abernethy

- Proud of the Police Department with the Canine Dog.
- The letter in your booklet from the NC Association of Rescue and Emergency Medical Services to the Fire Department is certifying them as a light rescue provider, confined space provider, and medical responder unit. A very nice achievement and level of professional service provided to our citizens.
- Fall Cleanup is October 21, 2017 8-noon.
- County Electronic Day – October 28, 2107.
- Phase II – Town Park begins this week.
- Court Square trees are scheduled to be planted next week and project progressing well.

- Leaf Pickup – October 24th – December 14th.
- Pet receptacles have been placed on the Greenway through a grant with Davie County Soil and Water Conservation.
- Street renaming committee has met and recommended Campbell Road to be changed to Martin Luther King, Jr. Road. Staff is issuing a public notice in the coming days and will contact property owners. The NAACP is going door to door to try to get petitions signed, and the town will schedule a public hearing for the November 7th Town Board meeting for your consideration.
- Marketing Program – CGI Communications – The town has an opportunity to engage in a neat marketing project with this company. This is a partnership with the National League of Cities. Videos highlighting areas within the town. Free of charge to the town and will be put on the website for three years then looked at again. Town Manager would like input on themes for the video. Attorney Al Benschhoff would like to amend the contract before signing any sponsorship policy.
- The town has received an offer to purchase the property at the intersection of Country Lane and Highway 158. Attorney Benschhoff stated that the Board should direct the Town Clerk to advertise for upset bids.

A motion was made by Commissioner, Amy Vaughan-Jones to approve the Town Clerk advertising for upset bids and that all closing cost is directed to the seller. The motion was seconded by Commissioner, Johnny Frye and approved by a unanimous vote. 5-0

You may note a slight increase in code enforcement complaints and actions. We have received more complaints, and all the while staff is trying to be as pro-active as possible. There is a lot to correct so they are addressing issues one step at a time. Some of our ordinances may need addressing including a revision.

- On example being high grass. We get a handful of high grass complaints, but to be in violation grass must be at least 18 inches tall. Some other towns have grass ordinances with heights as low as 10 or 12 inches.
- I just need to know how you would like to go about addressing these ordinances.
- You can request we prepare amendments at any point or staff can prepare and make recommendations as well.

As far as enforcement is concerned, nuisance and most code violations can be handled very well through MPD. Zoning related violations are more complex and, long term the town may need to have a staff member to address zoning enforcement.

Commissioner Sanford questioned the fans at Mando Field. Rustin Harpe stated that he would not recommend the companies listed in the report.

Commissioner Vaughan-Jones questioned what had been decided about the limb removal. Marcus stated that he was waiting on a quote from McCoys. He asked the Board if they would want to do the limb removal monthly or quarterly. The Board suggested looking at doing it quarterly.

Parks Department
Police Department
Fire Department
Public Works Department
CDC
Water Plant
Envirolink Report
Willis Engineers Status Report

Rustin Harpe
Todd Penley
Frank Carter
Mike West
Tami Langdon
Tom Johnson
Heather Adams
Chuck Willis

Budget Revenue Report
Budget Expenditure Report
Code Enforcement Report
Building Permit Activity Report

Marcus Abernethy

Commissioner Comment Period

Rob Taylor - There is lots of lights out at the tennis courts. Rustin assured the Board that he and Roger West were looking into the outages and scheduling repairs.

Johnny Frye – Expressed thanks to Mike and the Public Works Department for the job well done with DOT and Donnie Lakey and his crew.

Brent Ward – Expressed his appreciation to the town hall for the beautiful entrance with the fall decorations. He also expressed that he thought the motto of “Time Well Spent” would be nice to put on the clock at the new Town Park on North Main Street.

Mayor, Will Marklin informed the Board that the Rotary is hosting a golf tournament and all proceeds will go to the purchase of the clock. An estimated cost of the clock is \$16,000. He thought it would be nice if a plaque was placed somewhere in appreciation for the donation of the clock.

Motion to enter closed session per NC GS 143-318.11 (a)(3) and (6), to preserve the attorney-client privilege, and to discuss personnel matters.

A motion was made by Commissioner, Brent Ward to enter into close session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner, Rob Taylor and approved by a unanimous vote. 5-0

Motion to re-enter into open session.

A motion was made by Commissioner, Brent Ward to re-enter into open session. The motion was seconded by Commissioner, Johnny Frye and approved by a unanimous vote. 5-0

A motion was made by Commissioner, Amy Vaughan-Jones to approve Mac Parker’s settlement agreement and release. The motion was seconded by Commissioner, Rob Taylor and approved by a unanimous vote. 5-0

Adjourn

A motion was made by Commissioner, Brent Ward to adjourn the September 5, 2017 Regular Board Meeting. The motion was seconded by Commissioner, Johnny Frye and approved by a unanimous vote. 5-0

William J. Marklin, Mayor

Lynn Trivette, Town Clerk ,NCCMC